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Minutes

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting

Date: April 09, 2019 – Tuesday
Time: 1:30 P.M.
Location: 4886 E. Jensen Avenue, Fresno

President Stanfield called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Paul Stanfield, President
Gregory Beberian, Vice President
Ceil W. Howe Jr.
Mark C. McKean
David Cehrs
Chris Kapheim
Mike Yoshimoto

DIRECTORS ABSENT

None.

OTHERS PRESENT

KRCD Staff

Paul Peschel
Corey McLaughlin
David Merritt
Brian Trevarrow
Cristel Tufenkjian
Soua Lee
Eric Athorp
Rick Hoelzel
Pascoe Bowen
Keith Seligman
Stacy Wright

Consultants & Others

Matt Meadows, Kings River Water Association
Joe Hughes – Attorney (via teleconference)
Richard Jacobson – Attorney (via teleconference)

ROUTINE OPENING BUSINESS

1. Additions to or Deletions from the Agenda
 - a. None.
2. Public Presentations or Comments
 - a. None
3. Approval of Minutes of the March 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
 - a. It was moved by Director Cehrs, seconded by Director Kapheim, and unanimously carried, that the minutes of the March 12, 2019 Regular Board Meeting be approved

as amended (adding the word "trip" after "Washington, D.C." in the first sentence of 6.a.i).

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors McKean, Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)

REPORTS

4. Water and Weather Conditions (KRWA Staff)

- a. The Kings River Water Association Staff, Matt Meadows, reported that the aerial snow observatory indicates that there are 2.1 million acre-feet of water stored in the snow pack; other models indicate more. It is yet to be seen which is more accurate.

5. Directors' Reports

- a. Director Cehrs was invited to give a talk on Citrus in Strathmore by UC Riverside, which he did.

6. Staff Reports

The Board received reports on the prior month's activities from members of the District management staff:

- a. Paul Peschel, General Manager/Secretary
 - i. Mr. Peschel reported that Michael Cervantes and the ACWA Executive Director wanted to stop in April 15 at 2:30 p.m. to meet. He indicated there are two Board members already going, and asked if there is a third who would like to. Director Kapheim volunteered.
 - ii. AB 600 has come out, and would require an assessment of needs for potable water in order to identify a City/County/Special District that would be best able to provide the service.
 - iii. California adopted new wetlands rules to maintain a higher level of protection than the Trump Administration's rules would.
 - iv. Funding of \$5.5 million is being directed, by the Federal Government, toward the study of atmospheric rivers.
 - v. Kristi Moore is looking at June 17 – 24, 2019 for the new D.C. Trip date.
- b. Cristel Tufenkjian, Director of External Affairs
 - i. In addition to her written report, Ms. Tufenkjian showed a 4min. educational video about CV-SALTS.
- c. KRCD Water Resources Staff
 - i. Ms. Gallock, Director of Water Resources, submitted a written report.
 - ii. Mr. Athorpe reported on four items:
 1. Isotope study: we are still awaiting a contract with Lawrence Livermore labs
 2. Management Zone: Study area set as East Kings GSA
 - a. GEI is working to catalogue permitted dischargers
 - b. Next meeting of steering committee is April 18 in Dinuba at 9:00 a.m.
 3. Irrigated Lands: 72 percent of farm evaluations are completed; 68 percent of nitrogen reports are completed; and 98 percent of required fees have been paid.
 4. SWAT Model being developed: consultant has been successful in calibrating SWAT to California conditions. Handling privacy of data has been a challenge, but they have found a way to provide accurate data without being able to trace that data to a particular plot of land – it focuses more on the conditions that might match best to water use and crops, not the specific land that would match best.

- iii. Ms. Lee reported on IRWMP Grant activities. She provided a chart outlining the grant types (there are two) and whose projects have been accepted/funded by the grants. The two categories of grants are:
 - 1. General Category
 - 2. DAC only Category
- d. David Merritt, Deputy General Manager/COO
 - i. In addition to his written report, Mr. Merritt reported that construction on the McMullin pump station began in March.
- e. Brian Trevarrow, Deputy General Manager/CFO
 - i. Nothing to add to written report.

ACTION ITEMS

7. Resolution 19-04 Adopting Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (Rick Hoelzel)

- a. It was moved by Director McKean, seconded by Director Yoshimoto, and unanimously carried that the Board adopt Resolution No. 19-04, thus adopting the Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan so that the plan can receive final approval from FEMA.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors McKean, Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)

8. Budget Augmentation (Brian Trevarrow)

- a. It was moved by Director Yoshimoto, seconded by Director Howe, and unanimously carried that the Board approve Budget Augmentation number 3 as follows:
 - i. Increase California High Speed Rail reimbursement revenue by \$3,000 and increase Legal Services Expense by \$3,000;
 - ii. Increase Unemployment Insurance Expense in the general fund by \$5,800. The District does not pay a percentage of salaries for Unemployment Insurance coverage;
 - iii. Increase Other Professional Services in the River Maintenance Fund by a total of \$7,200 to cover the Temporary labor used early in the year and the uniform service for the Riverdale staff;
 - iv. Increase Maintenance Expenditures in the Pine Flat Fund by \$284,611 to recognize the work to repair the Unit 3 draft tube and scroll case / wicket vane area; and
 - v. Increase Capital Purchases/Office Furniture and Equipment in the Pine Flat Fund by \$13,000 to provide for the purchase of an Allworx phone system compatible with the Allworx system in the District Office.
- b. The net effect of the proposed adjustments is an increase in General Fund expenses of \$13,000.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors McKean, Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)

9. Board Committees and Representatives (Paul Stanfield)

- a. President Stanfield appointed Paul Peschel to serve as the alternate JPIA/ACWA Board representative, filling the vacancy created by Randy Shilling's retirement.

10. Financial Reporta. Budget Expenditures (Brian Trevarrow)

The Auditor presented expenditure to budget comparison reports for the period ending March 31, 2019. In addition, the monthly investment report for March 2019 was presented.

b. Review of Monthly Disbursements (Mark McKean)

It was moved by Director McKean, seconded by Director Howe, and unanimously carried, that bills in the amount of \$1,582,644.41 as presented in the schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable, were approved and ordered paid.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors McKean, Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)

11. Closed Session – Moved up due to call-in time with Counsel (2:30 p.m.)

- a. Government Code Section 54957 (b) To consider the appointment, employment, evaluation of performance, discipline, or dismissal of one or more public employees. (2:30 p.m. Call-in)
- b. Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2) To confer with its Legal Counsel regarding one matter of potential litigation, namely the claim filed by Estefany Torres.
- c. Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(4) To confer with its Legal Counsel regarding the initiation of one matter of potential litigation.

12. Reconvene to Open Session/Report Any Action Taken in Closed Session (3:15 p.m.)

- a. No action was taken on 11a.
- b. 11b.: It was moved by Director Howe, seconded by Director McKean, and unanimously carried to reject the claim of Estefany Torres and submit the claim to JPIA.
(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors McKean, Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)
- c. No action was taken on 11c

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Stanfield adjourned the meeting at 3:42 P.M.

Paul G. Peschel
Board Secretary

Approved on _____, 2019

Board President

BEFORE THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
FRESNO, CALIFORNIA

RESOLUTION NO. 19-04

**AUTHORIZING ADOPTION OF THE FRESNO COUNTY
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, the County of Fresno comprehensively updated the Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan in 2017-2018 in accordance with guidelines by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 [See Exhibit A, LHMP Executive Summary]; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan is to reduce or eliminate long-term risk to people and property from hazard and recommends a number of mitigation actions from each participating jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Kings River Conservation District is to provide flood protection, cooperate with other agencies to achieve balanced and high quality water supply, provide on-farm support in efficient water conservation practices, and develop power resources for the public good; and

WHEREAS, the Kings River Conservation District participated in the Hazard Mitigation Planning Committee and the District was annexed into the Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and the Kings River Conservation District Flood Emergency Response Project was identified in the Plan as a mitigation action to address flood, drought, and soil hazards;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kings River Conservation District hereby affirms its support for and adoption of the Fresno County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan.

THE FOREGOING RESOLUTION was passed and adopted at a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kings River Conservation District on this 9th day of April 2019, by the following vote:

AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, McKean, Cehrs, Kapheim, and Yoshimoto

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

President

ATTEST: _____
Secretary

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE

I, Paul G. Peschel, Secretary of Kings River Conservation District, hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of a Resolution duly adopted at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said District duly and regularly held at the regular meeting place thereof on the 9th day of April 2019, of which meeting all of the members of said Board of Directors had due notice and at which a majority thereof were present.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of Kings River Conservation District this 9th day of April 2019.

Secretary

(Seal)

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 Schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable
 Presented April 9, 2019
 (For Expenditures in the Month Ending March 31, 2019)

Employee Payroll	03/06/19	99,834.76	
Director's Payroll	03/12/19	3,263.58	
Employee Payroll	03/20/19	98,583.61	
Employee Payroll	03/29/19	23,282.63	
			224,964.58
Accounts Payable (KRCD)		1,271,103.69	1,271,103.69
	Sub-Total		1,496,068.27
Ready-Tax Electronic Funds Transfers:			
Employee Tax Deposits	03/13/19		43,279.28
Director's Tax Deposits	03/13/19		1,137.25
Employee Tax Deposits	03/27/19		42,159.61
	TOTAL		<u>1,582,644.41</u>